ICD-10-CM Coding Tip

Z00.01 - Encounter for general adult medical examination with abnormal findings

In an effort to aid Health Information Management Coding and Medical Billing Professionals with ICD-10, the following training tip is provided with an educational intent.

Encounter for adult periodic examination (annual)(physical) and any associated laboratory and radiologic examinations

- Previously reported as V70.0 - Routine general medical examination at a health care facility (Health checkup) in ICD-9.
- Instructional note to use additional code to identify any abnormal findings
- Excludes one note indicates that Z00.01 cannot be used with the following conditions;
  - Encounter for examination of sign or symptom – code to sign or symptom
  - General health check-up of infant or child (Z00.12)

Example: A patient is referred to the radiology department for a chest X-ray, as part of a routine physical examination; however, the physician noted decreased lung sounds on examination. Code Z00.01, Encounter for general adult medical examination with abnormal findings, is listed as the reason for the encounter because there are presenting symptoms and the X-ray was performed to rule out any suspect disease.

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